हैल्थ ठीक होनी चाहिए और उनकी ड्रेस ठीक होना चाहिए। ये सारी कंडीशंस दी गयी हैं, लेकिन जो प्राइवेट कैटरर्स हैं, वे अपने एम्पलाई को किस टर्म पर बहाल करता है, इस बारे में रेलवे की तरफ से कोई बात नहीं देखी जाती है। उसे देखने के और लेबर लॉज हो सकते हैं, दूसरे कानून हो सकते हैं, लेकिन यह हमारे यहां उस आधार पर नहीं होता है। जहां तक खान-पान सेवा में इम्प्रूवमेंट का सवाल है, इसके लिए आप जो भी सुझाव देंगे, उसका मैं स्वागत करूंगा, उस पर गौर करूंगा इतना ही कह सकता हूं। यह एक निरन्तर चलने वाली प्रक्रिया है क्योंकि कम्प्लेंट डिस्पोजल के भी कई सिस्टम बने हुए हैं। जब भी कम्प्लेंट आती हैं तो लोग उसे देखते हैं और उसकी जांच करते हैं। यह सब व्यवस्था तो है और व्यवस्था में कोई दिक्कत नहीं है, लेकिन उसका अनुपालन कितना हो रहा है, यह एक विचारणीय विषय हो सकता है। इसलिए माननीय सदस्य जो भी रचनात्मक सुझाव देंगे मैं उनको इतना आश्वस्त करूंगा कि मैं उन सुझावों पर व्यक्तिगत रूप से गौर करूंगा।

SHRI GOPAL SINH G. SOLANKI : I have just one small question. Sir. Looking at Annexure-II, we find that the contracts have been given for unlimited time. Does the Railway Administration think this is right? Secondly, most of the caterers seem to be inheriting the business. Would they prevent this?

श्री नीतीश कुमार : सर, माननीय सदस्य के प्रश्न में कोई ऐसी बात नहीं है, इस संबंध में मैंने पूरा जबाव दे दिया है। वहां 51 कैटरर्स 124 ट्रेंस पर हैं। इस तरह एक से अधिक ट्रेन पर एक कैटरर होगा तभी तो वह कैटरिंग कर सकता है। इसका मतलब है कि उनको एक से अधिक ट्रेन मिली होगी। लेकिन नई पालिसी में 5 साल के लिए कांट्रेक्ट होगा, अगले 5 साल के लिए उन का रिनुएबल होगा। जो माइनर कांट्रेक्टस हैं वे तो 5 साल के लिए ही हैं यानी मेजर कांट्रेक्टस में 10 साल के बाद फिर से पूरा का पूरा प्रोसीजर होगा। अनलिमिटेड पीरिएड के लिए नई कैटरिंग पॉलिसी में प्रावधान नहीं है।

THE VICE CHAIRMAN (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI) : Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Formulation of decisions on education

*561. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether, under the present mechanism, all the State Governments had been participating in the formulation of major decisions in matters of education and give them the status of national decisons;

(b) whether it is a fact that under the revised orders no national consultation would be needed and school curriculum may not be sent for appraisal;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps have been taken for active consultation of State Governments ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : (a) Education is a concurrent subject and the States are constantly being consulted in the implementation and monitoring of all important programmes and schemes relating to education.

(b) to (d) There has been widespread consultations with the State Governments, newspaper editors and important educationists over the last two years. A brief note on the process of consultation is placed on the Table of the House as statement.

Statement

Formulation of Decisions on Education

NATIONAL CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK FOR SCHOOL EDUCATION

The Process of Development and Consultation

The process of curriculum renewal for school education began in NCERT in 1996-97. In 1999 an internal curriculum group was constituted to expedite the process. The curriculum group visited all the departments and constituent units of NCERT located in Delhi and at Ajmer, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar and Mysore. It held intensive consultations with academics including school teachers. It also invited ten eminent scientists and educationists for interaction on the emerging curriculum issues in school education. This process resulted in development of a Discussion Document which was released in January 2000 and made available to all the State Ministers of School Education (Primary, Secondary and Senior Secondary). Education Secretaries and heads of all State level institutions connected with school education. In addition it was also made available to institutions, organisations, NGOs, universities, newspaper editors, experts and eminent educationists. It was put on the NCERT website and a copy was available to anybody who requested for it in view of its wide coverage in the press and media. The Discussion Document was made available to every faculty member

of NCERT in Delhi and its constituent Units. They were requested to give their written commments as well

Based upon these consultations and inputs received from various sources, the curriculum group developed the Curriculum Framework for School Education and it was released on November 14, 2000 by the Minister for Human Resource Development. This was made available to all the state functionaries by NCERT. The Hon'ble Minister for Human Resource Development addressed letters to Chief Ministers of States, Union Ministers, State Ministers and political leaders of various parties enclosing a copy of the document and requesting them to get it examined and for implementing it in a desirable manner. Education Secretary has written to the States/UTs Education Secretaries for a report on the implementation of the Curriculum Framework.

The Document was specifically discuss in the Annual Conferences of School Education Secretaries held in April, 2001, where the Director, NCERT made a detailed presentation. It was also discussed in the General Body meeting of the NCERT held on 13th December 2000 where the Education Ministers of the States/UTs are members.

Central School/Navodaya Vidyalaya in Manipur

*565. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any plan for opening a Central School or Navodaya Vidyalaya in the Imphal East District, Manipur;

(b) if so, by when it would be opened; and

(c) by when the construction of required building of Central School at Lamphelp in Manipur would be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : (a) to (c) A Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya has been sanctioned in Imphal, East District, Manipur and is likely to become functional during the academic year 2002-03 after the admission test is conducted. There is no proposal to open a new Kendriya Vidyalaya in the district. As regards the construction of a new permanent school building for Kendriya Vidyalaya at Lamphelpet, Manipur, it is at planning stage. Construction agency has been asked to work out the estimates of expenditure for the project.